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29 December 1959

MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Chief, DRD
SUBJECT : Development Branch Activity Report
21 December 1959 through 28 December 1959

1. OX CART:

c. An OXCART suppliers meeting and hopefully a special meeting with the Land Panel is tentatively scheduled for Boston on 19 January. Appropriate contractors have been alerted accordingly.

2. CHALICE:

General - A CHALICE Activity Program paper has been revised to amplify the development aspect coverage of Lockheed Contract SP-1918 and is being forwarded to DRD.

Description - Aircraft engine icing tests

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Purpose - Determine whether or not such tests are required. If so, levy test requirement to

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Activity - No report received from field detachments. Report received from Colonel Brewer. SAC position is that tests are not required. Pilots Handbook will be revised to cover preventative and/or corrective actions during icing conditions.

Next Event - Answers to queries to field detachments should be in Headquarters by 8 January 1960.

Description - Fuel cooling prior to servicing aircraft.

Purpose - Investigate methods of cooling fuel to provide added range when operating from bases with atmospheric conditions of high ambient temperatures.

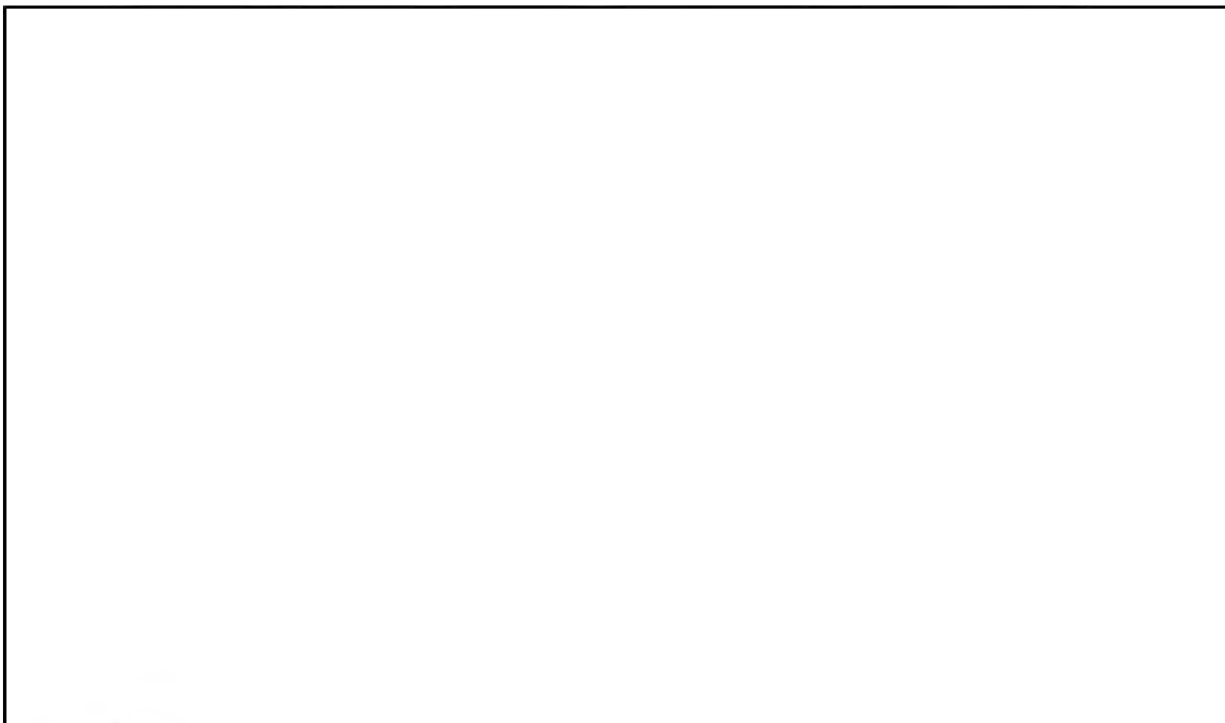
Activity - None

Next Event - Some insight to possible methods by 8 January 1960. on leave until 4 January 1960.

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5. CORONA:

Activities - Preparations continued on schedule for the next firing.

Next Event - Camera acceptance on 4 January 1960 for next flight. Discussions at Palo Alto by [redacted] with Lockheed representatives regarding the two (2) CORONA and the ARGON contracts.

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6. ARGON:

Activities - Meeting was held on 23 December 1959 with Doctor Billings office and on 28 December 1959 with FCIC representatives regarding payload and test facility schedules.

Next Event - Progress review meeting in late January 1960.

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